# **Space/Ground Complementarity**



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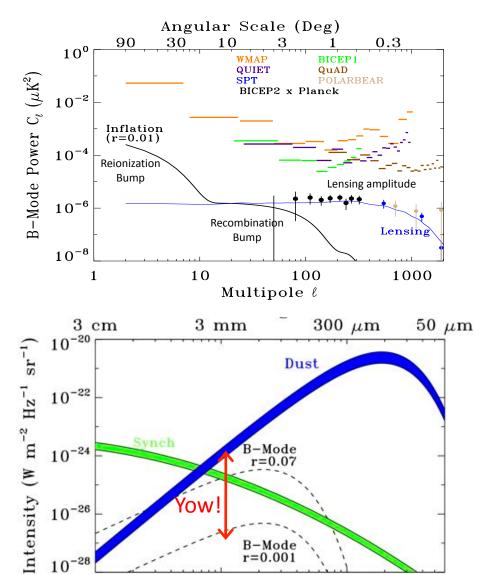


 $10^{-28}$ 

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#### **B-modes in a Nutshell**





B-Mode

r=0.001

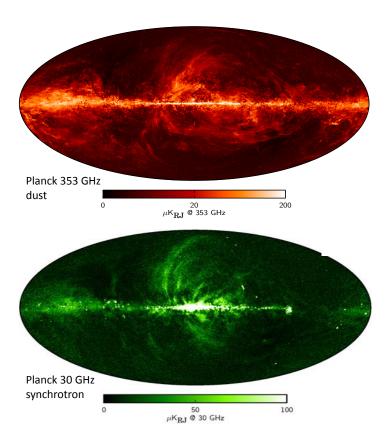
Frequency (GHz)

1000

100

#### **Requirements for Detection**

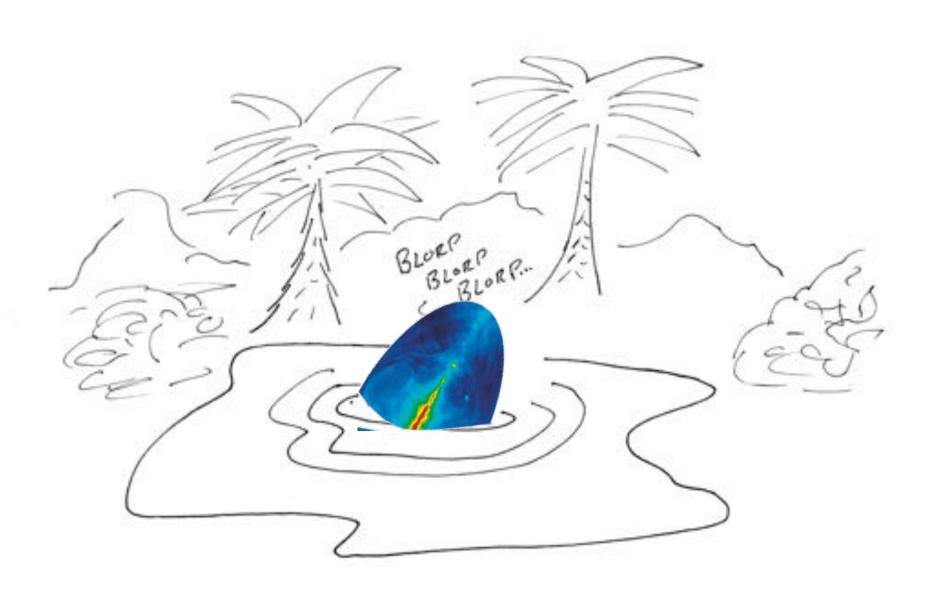
- Sub-Percent Foreground Subtraction
- Large AND small angular scales
- Immunity to Instrumental Effects



# Those Annoying Foregrounds



*Into The Swamp ..* 



#### Foregrounds: Size Matters!



Want Similar Angular Resolution Across Broad Frequency Range But ... Angular Resolution  $\theta \sim \lambda/D$ 

5' at 300 GHz: 80 cm primary





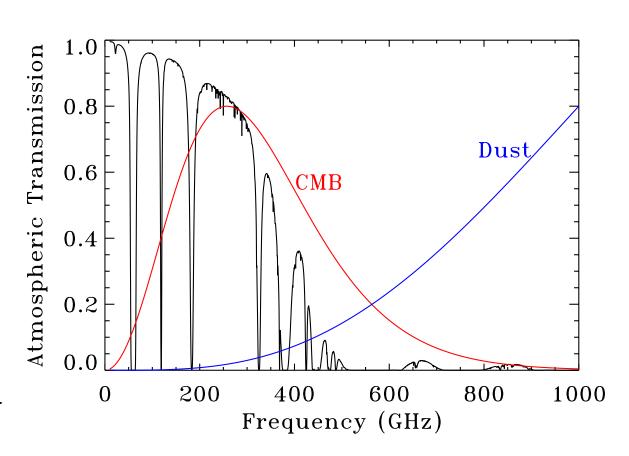
Cost to L2 deep-space orbit is about \$250,000 / kg
Mapping low frequencies requires a ground-based observatory

## Foregrounds: Visibility Matters!



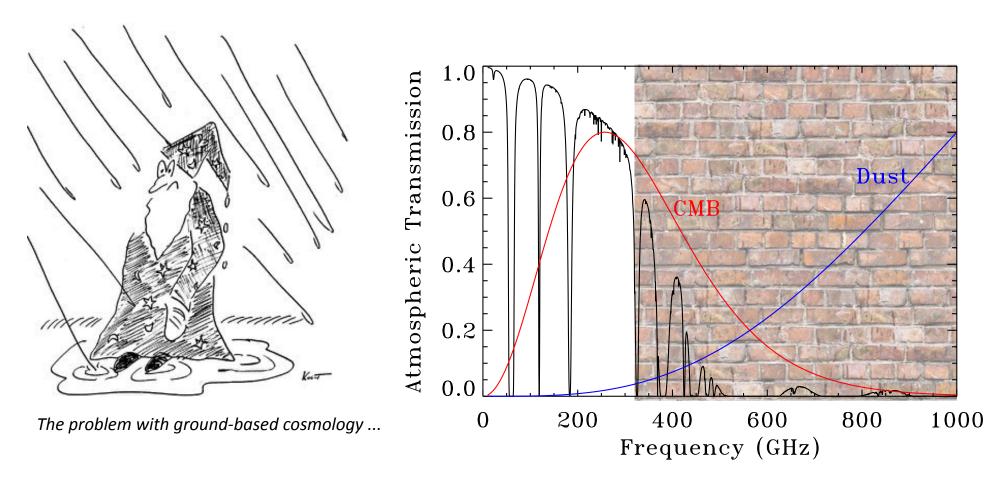


The problem with ground-based cosmology ...



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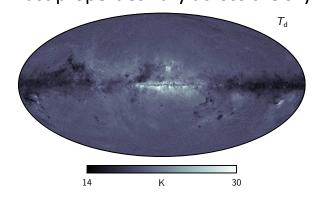
Atmosphere is opaque at frequencies above 300 GHz Mapping high frequencies requires a space observatory

#### Do we need data above 300 GHz?

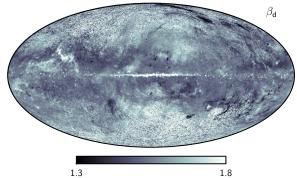


#### It depends on how well you want to do ...

Dust properties vary across the sky



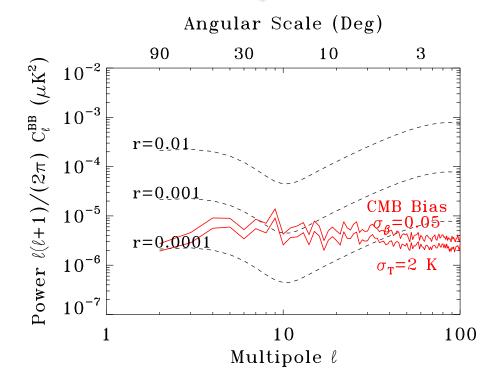
Planck temperature variation  $\sigma_{\rm T}$  = 1.9 K



Planck spectral index variation  $\sigma_{\beta}$  = 0.05

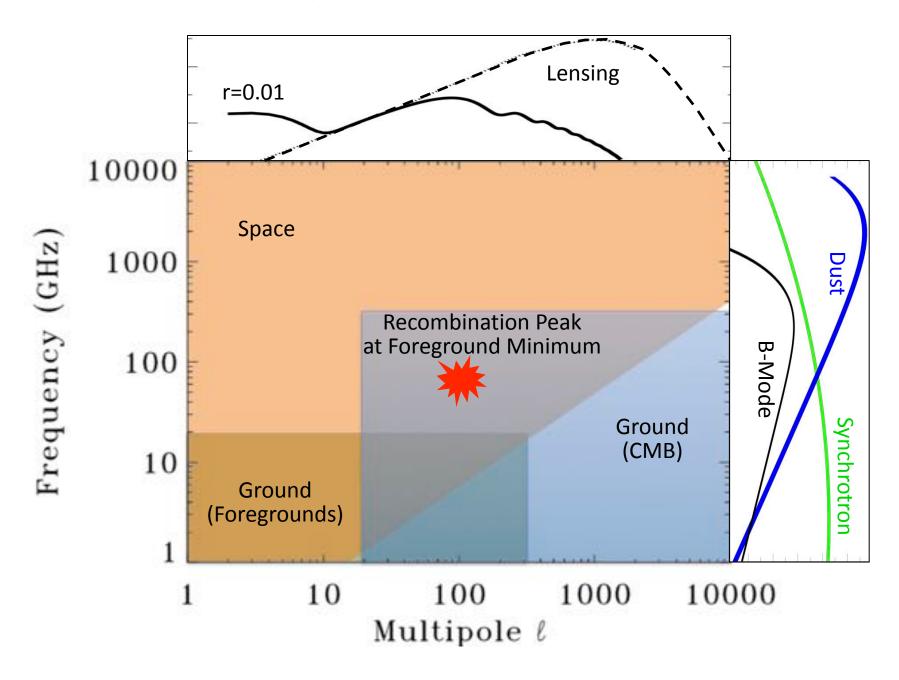
Assume similar variation along line of sight Fit dust using standard modified blackbody over frequency range [30, 250 GHz]





## **Foreground Complementarity**





# Those Difficult Angular Scales



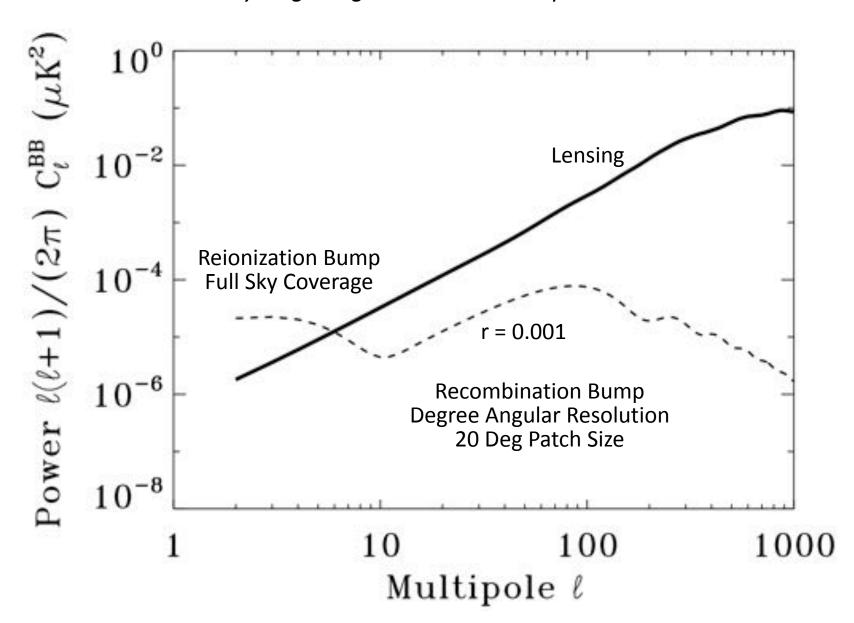
How Big Is Big Enough?



## Lensing vs Primordial B-Modes



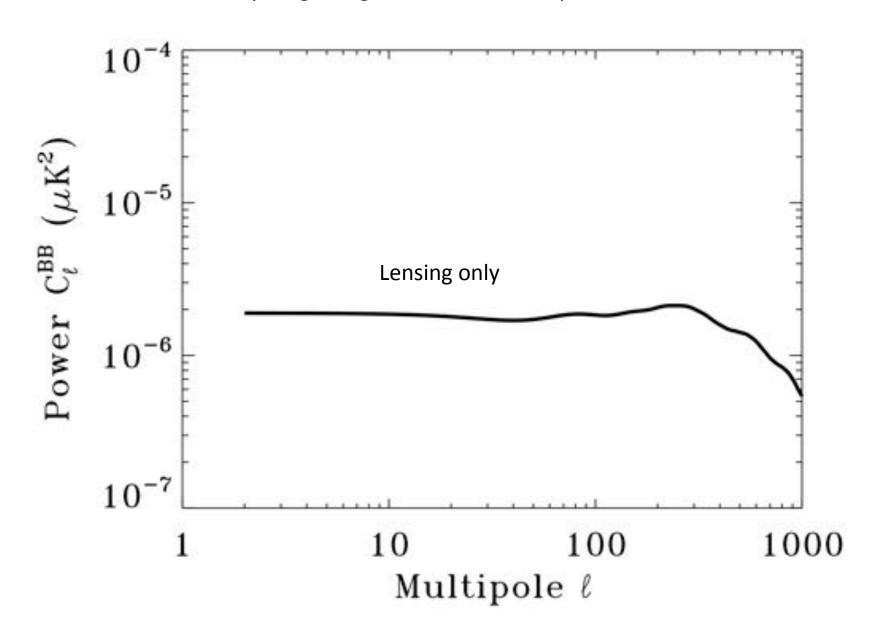
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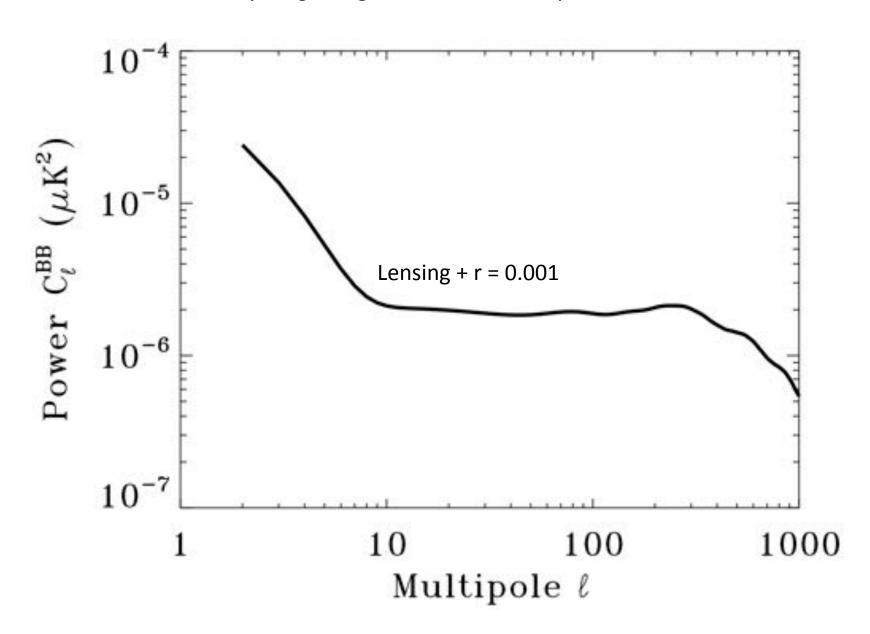
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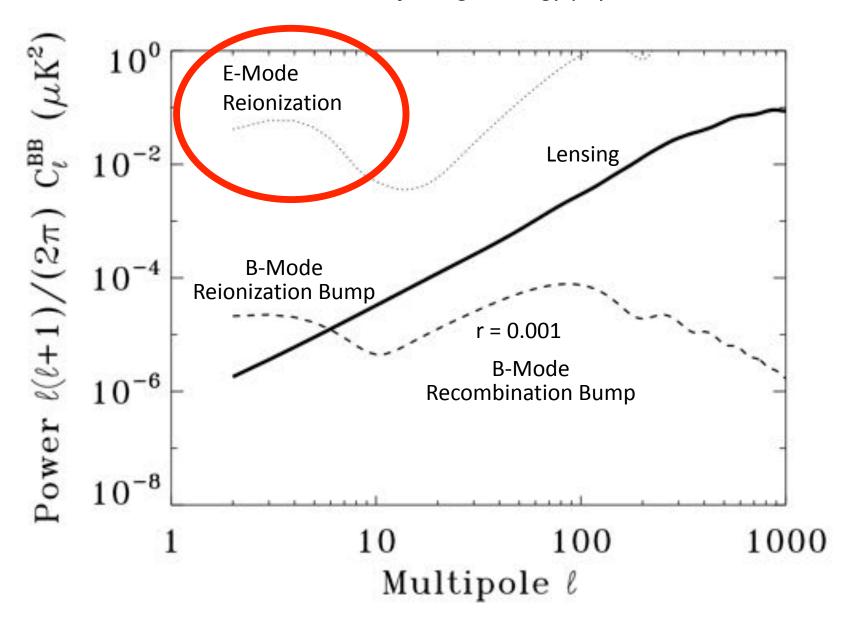
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# Reionization and Large Angular Scales



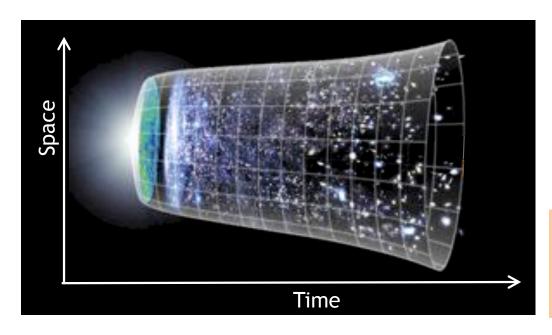
Guaranteed science for high-energy physics



#### Reionization and Neutrino Mass



#### Last Unknown Parameter for Standard Model of Particle Physics



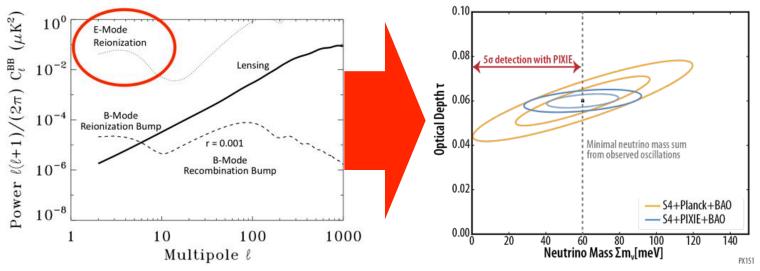
Neutrino mass affects growth of structure

Larger mass → Faster expansion → Less growth

Lensing determines structure in nearby universe

CMB density perturbations set initial structure *up to a correction for reionization optical depth* 

Measure E-modes on large angular scales: Cosmic-variance-limited measurement of reionization optical depth



Need a space mission!

LiteBIRD, PIXIE, PICO, ...

## **Controlling Systematic Error**



Would you rather tame a lion ...

... Or a kitten?





Potential Problem	Ground	Space
Atmospheric Turbulence		<b>✓</b>
Far Sidelobe Pickup		<b>/</b>
Changing Thermal Environment		<b>✓</b>
Radio-Frequency Interference		<b>v</b>
That Darned Gravity		<b>v</b>

Angular Scales > 30 deg requires a space mission

## **Space/Ground Complementarity**



#### Things that space missions do very well

Measurements across entire electromagnetic spectrum Foregrounds outside atmospheric windows Ancillary science

Exceptionally stable observing environment

Measure largest angular scales

Calibration stability

Minimal constraints on pointing / roll Systematic error control





#### Things that ground-based missions do very well

Large physical size for collecting optics

Small angular scales

Low-frequency foregrounds

Multiple instruments / facilities

Deep integrations

Cross-check vs technologies, observing modes

Incremental upgrades to instruments / facilities

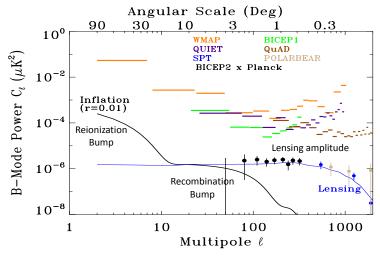
Cutting-edge technologies & development

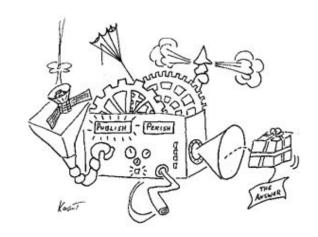
Robust reaction

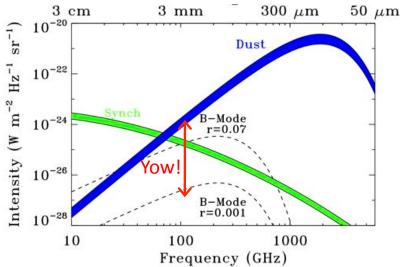




#### Don't assume a single mission must do it all







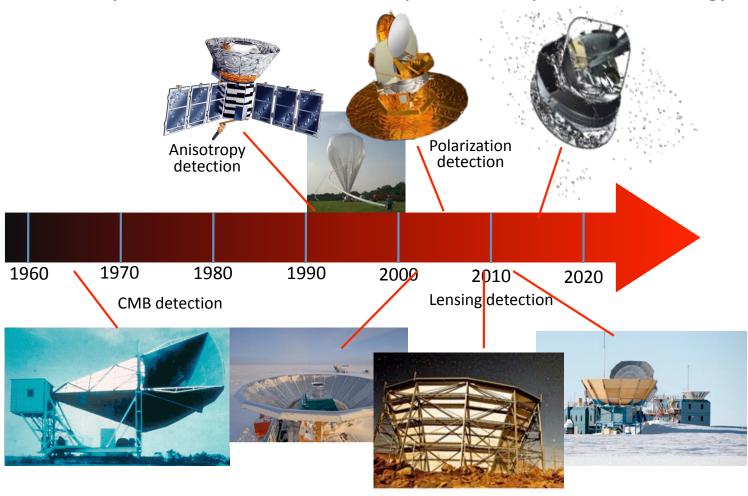
Goal	Requirement	Location
Detect reionization bump	Access large angular scales	Space
Detect recombination bump	0.5 to 1 deg resolution over ~20 deg patch	Space Ground
Remove lensing	Arcmin resolution over relevant patch of sky	Space Ground
Clean dust foreground	ν > 300 GHz	Space
Clean synchrotron foreground	ν < 30 GHz	Ground

#### The Past as Prologue



Long track record of space/ground complementarity

Space missions have been indispensable for precision cosmology



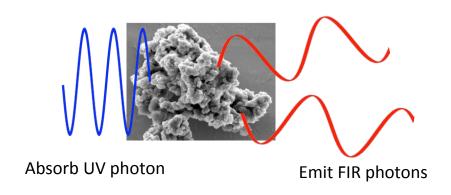
Ground-based measurements have been indispensable pathfinders



#### Do we need data above 300 GHz?



#### Simple models OK for now, but we want to do 50x better



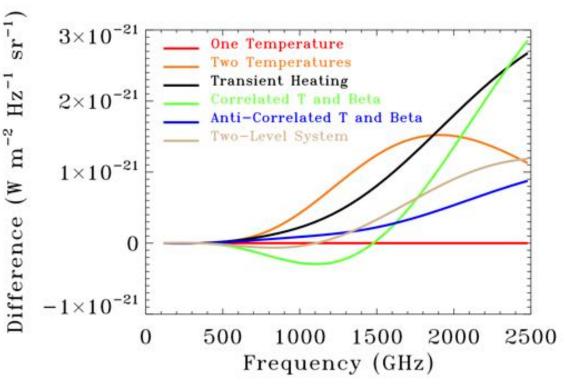
Dust far-IR emission depends on ...

- Local radiation field
- Dust chemical composition
- Dust physical composition
- Elapsed time since UV absorbtion

All of which vary everywhere!

#### There are a lot of possible models

Distinguish them at THz frequencies inaccessible to ground!



# Reionization and Large Angular Scales



Neutrino mass: Last unknown parameter for Standard Model

